THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA); (a) and (b) On the basis of the recommendations made by the National Transport Policy Committee (Pande Committee) the Government have decided in principle to phase out gradually the existing Freight Equalisation in respect of cement and Steel subject to subsidisation of transport for remote, inaccessible and isolated areas. Modalities and time phasing of the withdrawal of the freight equalisation scheme are under considedation.

Industrial Development depends upon a number of factors. It is not possible to attribute the development of a particular region to the policy of freight equalisation alone.

Employment by UPSC and daily wages basis

1295. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Union Public Service Commission has employed persons on daily wages;

(b) if so, their number and since when they are employed as on daily wages;

(c) whether these employees have bgen demanding to regularise their services and be paid the same salary and allowances as are paid to regular employees as ordered by the Supreme Court of India in a Writ Petition (Civil) Numbers 3077—3711 of 1985 on the 3rd March, 1986; and

(d) if so, what steps Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) At present, 47 casual Clerks are working in the UPSC on daily wages basis and they were recruited during the period from February, 1983 to January, 1984. Besides, 166 casual labourers are also working in the UPSC on daily wages basis and they were recruited during the years 1983— 85.

(c) and (d) The implications of the Supreme Coulrt's judgement in case of daily wage employees of CPWD are being examined by the Ministry of Urban Development.

मंत्रियों के विरुद्ध भ्रष्टाचार के आरोपों की जांच

1296. श्री हुक्मदेव नारायण यादव : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि केन्द्रीय मंत्रिमण्डल के कुछ सदस्यों के विरुद्ध भ्रष्टाचार के गम्भीर आरोपों की जांच सी०बी०आई० तथा रॉ द्वारा करवाई गई है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका परिणाम क्या निकला है ?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम्) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

Funds received from abroad under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act

1297. SHRI DEBENDRA NATH BARMAN; Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state what is the break-up of the amount of funds •received by various organisations in India from abroad under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act for the years 1982, 1983 and 1984?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU): Various organisations in India have r^ort^d receipt of Rs. 233.78 crores for the year 1982 under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act. The data for the years 1983 and 1984- is under computerisation.